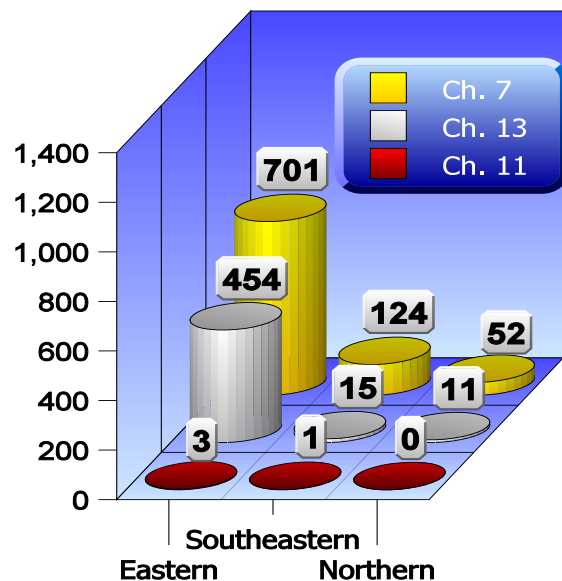


New Cases

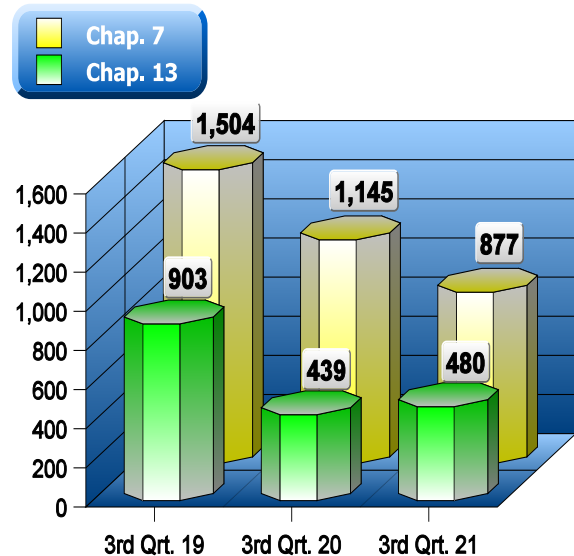
During the third quarter of the calendar year 2021, the Court opened a total of 1,361 new cases. There were 1,158 cases filed in the Eastern division, 140 cases in the Southeastern division and 63 cases filed in the Northern division. The court reopened 37 additional cases.

The new cases consisted of 877 Chapter 7 filings, 4 Chapter 11 filings and 480 cases filed under Chapter 13. There were no new cases filed under Chapters 9, 12 and 15. The chart above indicates the percentage of new cases filed under each chapter. Additionally, there were 21 new Adversary Proceedings, 366 motions to lift the automatic stay, and 51 motions to avoid liens. The chart to the right indicates the number of new cases filed during the third quarter in each division, broken down by chapter.



Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Filings

During the third quarter, 2021, there were 877 Chapter 7 petitions and 480 Chapter 13 petitions filed with the Court. These figures constitute 64.44% and 35.27%, respectively, of the total number of new cases filed this quarter. For comparison purposes, in the third quarter of 2020, the Court received 1,145 new Chapter 7 petitions (71.74%) and 439 new Chapter 13 petitions (27.51%). The chart to the right indicates the filing figures for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases for the third quarter of 2021 and the past two calendar years.



Case Closings

The Court closed 1,897 cases during the third quarter, 2021. Case terminations by division included 1,584 for the Eastern division, 236 for the Southeastern division, and 77 cases for the Northern division. The number of cases closed this quarter is more than the number closed during the second quarter of 2021, when the Court closed 1,682 cases. The Court also closed 27 adversary proceedings during the third quarter, 2021.

Pending Caseload

The pending caseload at the end of the third quarter, 2021, was 9,187 cases, a decrease of 498 cases from the second quarter, 2021. These 498 cases reflect a 5.14% decrease in the pending caseload from last quarter when there were 9,685 cases pending. The chart below depicts the change in pending caseload over the previous four quarters. During that time, the number of pending cases decreased by 8.77% (883 cases), or an average of 220 cases each quarter. The number of adversary proceedings pending decreased by 6 cases in the third quarter, 2021, leaving 41 cases pending.

